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SOURCE [REDACTED]

1. In May 1951, no Soviet troops were stationed in Sorau (O 52/B 16). The quarters at the former German airfield were occupied by a Polish AAA regiment equipped with heavy AA guns of about 85 mm and medium AA guns of 37-mm. The heavy guns were operated by crews of 1 NCO and 9 RM, and the medium guns by crews of 1 NCO and 8 RM. On 3 May, Polish motorized artillery troops arrived at the Sorau railroad station aboard two trains of about 40 cars each. A railroadman said that these troops were contingents returning to their quarters in Sorau from a troop training grounds. *

2. In the spring of 1951, Soviet troops were stationed in Oppeln (P 51/J 17), Liegnitz (O 52/B 82), and Brieg (P 51/H 89). No Polish troops were in Brieg. A Soviet high-schelon headquarters was housed in several large buildings about 200 meters from the Liegnitz railroad station.

3. In the summer of 1949, a large WOP (Polish Border Guard Corps) unit, commanded by a major, was located in buildings between the wharf and the athletic field in Misdroy (O 54/L 41). In addition, sizable land and sea militia units were stationed in the town. **

4. On 3 June, a WOP detachment of platoon strength was quartered at Lucknitz (O 52/A 84). The mine fields of World War II southeast of Lucknitz had not been cleared. Barbed-wire entanglements were seen on several spots on the east levee of the Neisse River. One large and two small searchlights were set up near the river, west and south of the town. At the beginning of June 1951, about 150 former Greek Markos partisans were still living in Lucknitz.

5. On 28 May, no Soviet military units were stationed in Warsaw.

* [REDACTED] Comment. This Polish AAA regiment at Sorau airfield is reported for the first time. In February 1951, the barracks installation 1 km east of Sorau, south of the road to Sagan, quartered about 2,000 troops of Polish armored reconnaissance, infantry and artillery units. [REDACTED] It is possible that the artillery troops who, according to the present report, arrived at Sorau by rail, belonged to an artillery regiment in the aforementioned barracks installation.

** [REDACTED] Comment. Information of 1948 from Misdroy indicated that a WOP battalion of the 8th WOP Brig in Stettin is stationed in Misdroy.

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